

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/532,602 filed March 22, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,625,271, entitled "Scalable Audio Conference Platform" which ~~application contains subject matter related to a commonly assigned application designated serial number~~ claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/148,975 filed March 22, 2000 August 13, 1999, entitled "~~Audio Conference Platform System and Method for Broadcasting a Real Time Audio Conference Over the Internet~~" "Scalable Audio Conference Platform with a Centralized Audio Mixer" which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/125,440 filed March 22, 1999. This application is hereby incorporated herein by reference.